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Ex-Husband Charged With Killing Woman in Koreatown

A man has been charged with murdering his former wife earlier this month at her apartment in Koreatown, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Joseph Song Chung (dob 5/2/69) was charged yesterday in case BA484872 with one count of murder. His arraignment was postponed until March 11 in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Deputy District Attorney Irene Lee of the Family Violence Division is prosecuting the case.

On or between January 19 and January 20, the defendant is accused of strangling Hyun C., 48, at an apartment near the 400 block of South Berendo Street. The victim's body was found a couple of days later.

Chung fled the area but surrendered to police in Santa Cruz on January 27.

If convicted, the defendant faces up to life in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.